



Water Quality Program Plain Talk process

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A. Provide training and tips (hand out with Word tools) for program writers and support staff

1. Establish priority list for FY06

2. Criteria for selecting documents:

- New documents
 - + Mass consumption
 - + Form letters/templates
 - + Public outreach documents
- Existing documents – out of date
 - High visibility programs or program changes
 - Frequency/volume distributed
 - # of customer questions/complaints

*Rules

3. Author discusses document with Team section rep

Quick review: letters, focus sheets, time sensitive, brochure, < # words

- Post peer review
- Email team for input – whoever has time
- How involve support staff – salmon router review – explore this.

Full review: longer docs, manuals, TMDLs, permits, applications, guidance, templates

- New or re-write
- High priority
- Identify small group of volunteer team members
- Consider review by another program PT team
- Meeting with team and writer early on (tools in PT training notebook)

4. Tracking via X:drive (Team lead)

5. Reporting (via monthly report?) (Team lead)

- Effectiveness
- Progress
- Implementing plain talk

6. Web posting

7. Translation needed

